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Quarterly Report To Shareholders



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Six Months Ended September 30, 2003

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Consolidated Statement of Earnings (Unaudited)

For the Period Ended September 30, 2003 (Expressed in Thousands of U.S. Dollars)

	Three Month September 2003 \$		Six Month Septemb 2003 \$	
Sales	870,682	794,481	1,637,788	1,487,200
Cost of Sales	336,786	306,972	628,099	558,774
Gross Profit	533,896	487,509	1,009,689	928,426
Selling, General and Administrative Expenses	384,281	328,822	723,645	623,440
Earnings From Operations	149,615	158,687	286,044	304,986
Other Income (Expenses)				
Interest income	964	603	1,671	2,055
Interest expense	(26,112)	(29,341)	(55,396)	(58,167)
Miscellaneous income (expense) - net	(6,601)	(16,505)	(16,148)	(12,284)
	(31,749)	(45,243)	(69,873)	(68,396)
Earnings Before Income Taxes	117,866	113,444	216,171	236,590
Provision For Income Taxes	33,164	17,221	40,026	30,893
Net Earnings	84,702	96,223	176,145	205,697

Supplemental Information

		Three Months Ended September 30,		Six Months Ended September 30,	
	2003 \$	2002 \$	2003 \$	2002 \$	
EBITDA*	161,507	158,212	306,287	324,086	

^{*} EBITDA represents consolidated net earnings before dividends on BMRH preferred shares, interest, income taxes, depreciation, and amortization.

Consolidated Balance Sheet

As of September 30, 2003 (Expressed in Thousands of U.S. Dollars)

(Expressed in Triodsailus of O.S. Bollais)		
	September 30, 2003 \$ (Unaudited)	March 31, 2003 \$
	(Onaddited)	
Assets		
Current Assets		
Cash and equivalents	91,641	96,414
Accounts receivable	824,265	726,275
Inventories	772,968	725,288
Other current assets	142,486	119,577
	1,831,360	1,667,554
Long-Term Investments and Advances	147,726	119,643
Property, Plant and Equipment	489,434	482,243
Intangible Assets	2,553,601	2,554,409
	5,022,121	4,823,849
Liabilities		
Current Liabilities	407.000	000.004
Short-term borrowings	487,606	206,334
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	575,716	554,659
Taxes payable Current portion of long-term debt	196,692 128	154,838 43,303
BMRH Founders' Common Shares	140,247	140,247
Series 3 Preferred Shares	170,277	136,374
- Control of Troising Charles	1,400,389	1,235,755
Long-Term Debt	1,369,390	1,611,632
Series 3 Preferred Shares	138,743	1,011,032
Other Liabilities	294,869	231,917
_	3,203,391	3,079,304
Shareholders' Equity		
Capital Stock	32,909	32,909
Share Premium Retained Earnings	121,628 1,811,198	121,628 1,748,660
Cumulative Translation Adjustment	(157,774)	(158,652)
- Landing Francisco Franci	1,807,961	1,744,545
Bacardi Benefit Company Limited	10,769	-
·	1,818,730	1,744,545
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.	5,022,121	4,823,849

Corporate Information

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Report to the Shareholders

Dear Shareholder.

Sales for the second quarter of the year reached \$871 million, an increase of \$76 million or 9.6% over the prior year. Our sales were depressed by some \$17 million as a result of our deliberate policy to reduce trade inventories in the USA and Mexico, and assisted by a positive impact of \$55 million due to the strength of a number of currencies, most notably the euro against the US Dollar.

During the second quarter, our business enjoyed an improved performance across most regions and our sales reflect the strength of the USA, UK and Asian economies, post-SARS. Despite an improved performance in the second quarter, the situation in both the Eurozone and Latin America economies remains difficult. In contrast, the development of both the economies and our business in Eastern Europe and, in particular, in Russia is very positive.

Although the ready-to-drink business is showing clear signs of maturity, the unusually hot weather in Europe over the summer months assisted in slowing the rate of decline of this category.

We have implemented most of our planned price increases, which has allowed us to protect our margins, and we have continued to support our brands through increased marketing expenditure.

We have embarked on a review of our operations in the search for further efficiencies. We have also, as mentioned earlier initiated a trade inventory reduction programme in the key markets of the USA and Mexico. The above, coupled with the implementation of a new reporting system used in the determination of cost of sales and in the calculation of the taxes, have resulted in a number of special items which have negatively impacted the current fiscal year results in comparison to that of the previous fiscal year.

Comparative results, excluding the above mentioned special items, for the three and six months ended September 30, 2003 are presented in the following pro forma tables:

	Thousands of U.S. Three Months Ended Se 2003			
Sales	887,421	794,481		
Gross Profit	557,900	487,509		
Earnings from Operations	176,619	158,687		
Net Earnings	124,884	96,223		
		Thousands of U.S. Dollars		
		Six Months Ended September 30		
	2003	2002		
Sales	1,654,527	1,487,200		
Gross Profit	1,033,693	928,426		
Earnings from Operations	310,996	304,986		
Net Earnings	214,275	205,697		

Although our operating companies are well poised ahead of the Christmas Season, we remain cautious on the outlook given the weakness of the economy and the subdued consumer confidence in the Eurozone for the rest of the fiscal year.

Respectfully,

Javier Ferran
President and Chief Executive Officer

Ruben Rodriguez Chairman of the Board

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